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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telephone exchanges in Orissa, West Bengal and Maharashtra which have not been converted into electronic exchanges so far, State-wise and Location-wise;

(b) the time by which these exchanges are likely to be converted into electronic exchanges, State-wise;

(c) the number of the telephone exchanges in each of the above State decided to be converted into electronic exchanges during the last two years in these States; and

(d) the target set for conversion of telephone exchanges into electronic ones in the country during the Ninth Five Year Plan?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

(a) Yes, Sir. All the telephone exchanges in Orissa, West Bengal and Mahrashtra are electronic exchanges.

(b) to (d): Does not arise in view of (a) above.